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Enclosed are:

- □ 12 sheets of □ formal □ informal drawings.
 - A Request for Priority for December 25, 2003
- An Unexecuted Declaration
- **Preliminary Amendment**
- An Information Disclosure Statement with the PTO Form 1449

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